

ABSTRACT

A method and system for sharing a common data set between a plurality of computer applications uses a shared data set containing two or more data elements. A first computer software application performs a storage operation to a data element 5 within the data set, and the data set provides a signal to a second software application. The system may also include the delivery of acknowledgment signals back to the first software application. Also optionally, the data set may provide the signal to a plurality of software applications.